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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

- 1. U.S. Patent No. 978,161 dated December 13, 1910 issued to Holmes;
- 2. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2002/0178539 A1 published December 5, 2002 to Donakowski;
- 3. British Patent Application Publication No. GB 967,915 published August 26, 1964;

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4. German Patent Application Publication No. DE 101 28 099 A1 published December 12, 2002;

5. Swiss Patent Application Publication No. CH 477 999 published October 31, 1969;

6. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 7-257104 published October 9, 1995 together with the English language abstract;

7. International Publication No. WO 03/101764 A2 published December 11, 2003; and

8. European Patent Application Publication No. EP 1 110 757 A2 published June 27, 2001.

Applicant is submitting copies of the above-cited references required by 37 C.F.R. 1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (ii). The relevance of references 1-6 has been described in the specification.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

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